

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 797

By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to recognize Andre de Araujo Jorge, 2000  
Salutatorian of Lebanon High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Andre de Araujo Jorge is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2000 graduating class at Lebanon High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Andre has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the elite ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Andre has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, during his high school career, Andre has maintained an active extra-curricular schedule, including participation in Future Problem Solving, of which he was a State Bowl Qualifier for three years, and the Boy Scouts of America, in which he advanced through the ranks to Life Scout; and

WHEREAS, he has demonstrated a terrific flair for journalism as a reporter for his high school newspaper, the *Devil's Advocate*, and through his work with *The Tennessean*; he worked on a teen-oriented issues magazine associated with the newspaper, providing research, writing articles, and serving on the editorial board for the past year; and

WHEREAS, Andre demonstrated great leadership ability as a participant in the American Legion Boys State, where he was a member of the Governor's Cabinet and served as the Commissioner of Labor; and

WHEREAS, possessing great athleticism, Andre has been a member of the Greenbacks Select Varsity Soccer Team for the past three years, and helped his team to finish second in the state tournament; he was also a member of the Cross-Country Team during his Sophomore year; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his tremendous intellect, Andre has been inducted into the Beta Club, participated in the Governor's School for International Studies, and has been listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Andre's classmates have shown their appreciation for him by voting him "Most Intriguing" and nominating him as "Most Likely to Succeed" and "Most Sophisticated"; and

WHEREAS, Andre's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Andre plans to further his education at Rhodes College in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, endeavoring to lead an exemplary Christian life, Andre is an active and devout member of the College Street Church of Christ, where he faithfully serves as a member of the youth group and has participated in various mission trips; and

WHEREAS, a civic-minded young man, Andre has selflessly donated his time and talents to such noteworthy causes as Healing Hands International, Second Harvest Food Bank, Inner City Bible Theater, and Inner City Clothes Giveaway; and

WHEREAS, Andre's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Lisa and Igor de Araujo Jorge, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Andre's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Lebanon High School Salutatorian, Andre de Araujo Jorge, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.